

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CONTRIBUTORY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FUND SCHEME
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has proposed any amendment in the Contributory Medical Assistance Fund Scheme for its serving employees and pensioners in light of the persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunity Protection of Right and Full Participation) Act, 1995;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the permanently disabled and handicapped dependents of the pensioners of RBI are entitled to avail benefits of above scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal)

- (a) : As reported by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), there is no proposal for amendment to the Contributory Medical Assistance Fund (MAF) Scheme.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c) to (e) : RBI has reported that the objective of the MAF Scheme is to provide financial assistance for meeting a part of the medical expenditure incurred by retired employees for hospitalisation of self and spouse for any serious or major operation or ailment. The MAF Scheme per se does not cover dependents.